



Hollydale Primary School: Summer 2 2018

Welcome to Summer 2! We hope you had a relaxing break. This half term the children will be focusing their learning on their topic 'Gateway to the World'. This will help to develop their geography skills.

The children will be continuing with their Maths fluency, spelling, handwriting and grammar lessons to help practice the skills they need to access this new and exciting curriculum.

If you have any questions about your child's learning or any other aspect of life in Lower Key Stage 2, please do not hesitate to come and see one of the team before or after school.

Thank you for your support and co-operation.

Regards, *Miss Macdonald*

Class Teachers –Miss Macdonald

Support Staff: Ms Rebbeck and Ms Williams

This half term Lower Key Stage 2 (Year 3 and 4) will be learning about the following topics:

English	We will start the term by reading ' FArTHER ' by Graheme Baker-Smith . The children will explore the narrative and will write a range of different texts-types including post cards, an explanation text describing how a flyinf machine works and finally writing their own sequel. We will then move onto a poetry unit. Grammar will be embedded within these literacy sessions. Spelling lists will be sent home on Fridays and tested the following week. We will continue to focus on the Year 3/4 spelling rules and patterns.
Reading Records	The children will bring home a book from the class book corner or the school library at least once a week. Please read and discuss the book with your child. Parents must record in the reading records every time they read at home. Please note that children are required to have their book bag with their reading record inside every day. Children have reading passports , which are kept in school. The children are challenged to read different texts and genres.
Maths	In Numeracy pupils will begin the term by learning about time and money. We will then move onto 2d shapes, length and perimeter. Then we will gather data and apply our statistics and data handling skills. We will apply our skills to a range of reasoning and problem solving tasks. Please ensure that your child knows number bonds to one hundred and 2,3,4,5,8,10 times tables and related division facts (1-12) —it is vital that children know these in order to progress in numeracy.
Science	Our topic this half term is Living Things and Their Habitats. We will be naming and grouping a range of living creatures in our local and wider environments. We will be recognising how changes in our environments can affect living things.
Computing	This half term we will be learning how create our own websites.
IPC	This term our IPC theme will be 'Gateways to the World', which we will combine with celebrating the World Cup 2018. This is a geography topic in which we will about the differences between the southern and northern hemispheres. We will learn how to write coordinates for positions using longitude and latitude. We will write a travel guide for visitors to a tropical country. We will use a range of different mapping resources, including globes, atlases and digital programmes.
Design & Technology	This term we will be studying artist techniques from around the world, including Australian Aboriginal art.
P.E.	LKS2 will have swimming lessons and St Thomas the Apostle Secondary School on Monday

	<p>mornings. These lessons are a compulsory component of the PE curriculum, they are not optional. Every child needs to ensure they have their swimming kit on Mondays. PE kit for girls: A green, blue or black one piece swimming costume and towel and a swimming hat. PE kit for boys: Green, blue or black swimming trunks, towel and swimming hat. If you have any questions about swimming lessons, please speak to your child's class teacher.</p>
Music	LKS2 will continue to have ukulele lessons from a specialist teacher.
R.E.	This term our focus will be continuing with our Buddhist topic. We will move onto finding out about the Noble Eightfold path and the customs and traditions of Buddhists.
Modern Languages	Spanish will continue to be taught by our specialist teacher.
P.S.H.E. & Citizenship	Our focus this half term will be "Changing Me"
Homework	<p>A variety of cross curricular homework tasks will be assigned at the start of the half term. Each week your child will select one task to complete, to be returned by Thursday. Children will also have maths fluency tasks and grammar tasks to complete. Children should continue to learn their times tables, which will be tested on a regular basis. Children can practice using Timestable Rockstars, for which they have their own login. Additional maths homework will be assigned on the Mathletics website, for which each child also has their own username and password. Children should also learn spellings which will be sent home every week and tested the following week.</p>
Key dates	<p style="text-align: center;">Cedar Class Assembly – Thursday 14th June Father's Day breakfast - Friday 15th June at 9.00 in the lower hall London Book Festival at Dulwich Picture Gallery – Monday 18th June Summer Fair – Saturday 30th June East Dulwich Picturehouse trip – Friday 13th July Reports sent home – Friday 13th July Sport's Day – Tuesday 17th July Transition Day (children go to their new class) – Thursday 19th July</p>